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SUBJECT: CONSTRUCTION OPPORTUNITY: ABU DHABI MILITARY AIRFIELD

REF: 74 ABU DHABI 600

1. ABU DHABI DEFENSE FORCE IS PREPARING TO INVITE CONTRACTING FIRMS TO PREQUALIFY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE ABU DHABI MILITARY AIRFIELD. PROJECT WILL BE CONTRACTED IN THREE PHASES:

I. 17 KMS OF BOUNDARY FENCE AND 6 KMS OF ACCESS ROAD;

II. MAJOR EARTHWORKS, RUNWAYS, TAXIWAYS, APRONS; III.

BUILDINGS: HANGARS, HOUSING, WORKSHOPS, ETC (INCLUDES

ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT). THESE CONTRACTS WILL INCLUDE

ALL FIXED EQUIPMENT BUT WILL NOT INCLUDE SOME MOVEABLE

EQUIPMENT SUCH AS FURNITURE. TOTAL COST OF PROJECT

ESTIMATED TO BE \$150-160 MILLION MAKING IT ONE OF LARGET

YET UNDERTAKEN IN ABU DHABI. THE GREATEST PART OF THIS

COST WILL BE ASSOCIATED WITH PHASE II.

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2. EXPECTED TIMING: INVIOATION TO PREQUALIFY--MID-FEBRUARY 76; TENDER DOCUMENTS FOR PHASE I READY--EARLY MARCH 76; TENDER DOCUMENTS FOR PHASE II READY--LATE MARCH OR FIRST WEEK IN APRIL 76; TENDER DOCUMENTS FOR PHASE III READY--MID-JUNE 76; AIRFIELD IN SERVICE--APRIL 79.

3. PUBLIC INVITATION TO PREQUALIFY WILL NOT BE MADE. ONLY SPECIFIC FIRMS WILL BE INVITED. U.S. FIRMS WHICH WOULD LIKE TO BE INVITED TO PREQUALIFY SHOULD CONTACT SHIEF ENGINEER, ISHAM ULLAH, OR HIS SUPERVISOR, COL. SEIF, ABU DHABI DEFENSE FORCE (ADDF), P.O. BOX 907, ABU DHABI, U.A.E., OR PROJECT CONSULTANT BECHTEL INTERNATIONAL, P.O. BOX 2661, ABU DHABI, UAE, ATTENTION JOSEPH E. TEGDA (TELEX 2463 WATEKA AH).

4. AS PROJECT CONSULTANT, BECHTEL WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE TO TENDER CONSTRUCTION. SO FAR AS EMBASSY IS AWARE, ONLY U.S. CONTRACTING FIRMS WHICH HAVE SO FAR EXPRESSED INTEREST IN PROJECT TO ADDF ARE DRAVO AND GUY F. ATKINSON.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: PLS MAKE PROJECT KNOWN TO QUALIFIED U.S. CONTRACTING FIRMS. PROJECT IS SEPARATE FROM ANBFNOT TO BE CONFUSED WITH ABU DHABI CIVIL AIRPORT PROJECT. STERNER

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